

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 102—CONDEMNING THE DECISION BY THE CITY OF ST. DENIS, FRANCE, TO NAME A STREET IN HONOR OF MUMIA ABU-JAMAL, THE CONVICTED MURDERER OF PHILADELPHIA POLICE OFFICER DANNY FAULKNER

Mr. SANTORUM submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. CON. RES. 102

Whereas on the night of December 9, 1981, Police Officer Danny Faulkner was shot and killed in cold blood during a traffic stop in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;

Whereas in the process of arresting the driver of a car traveling the wrong way down a one-way street, the driver's brother appeared from across the street and proceeded to open fire on Officer Faulkner while his back was turned away;

Whereas the driver's brother was identified as Mumia Abu-Jamal;

Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal shot Officer Faulkner 4 times in the back;

Whereas, although seriously injured, Officer Faulkner returned fire, striking his attacker;

Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal was undeterred and stood over Officer Faulkner and shot him in the face, mortally wounding him;

Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal attempted to flee, but collapsed several feet from the slain Officer Faulkner, murder weapon in hand;

Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal was charged and convicted of first degree murder by a jury of his peers;

Whereas Mumia Abu-Jamal has had numerous legal appeals, including appeals to the Pennsylvania State Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court, and his conviction has been upheld each time;

Whereas, on April 29, 2006, the municipal government of St. Denis, a suburb of Paris, dedicated a street in the honor of Mumia Abu-Jamal; and

Whereas the official recognition and celebration of a convicted murderer of a police officer of the United States is an affront to law enforcement officers across the Nation: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—*

(1) condemns the murder of Philadelphia Police Officer Danny Faulkner;

(2) urges the municipal government of St. Denis to take immediate action to change the name of Rue Mumia Abu-Jamal and, if such action is not taken by the municipal government of St. Denis, urges the Government of France to take appropriate action against the city of St. Denis to change the name of Rue Mumia Abu-Jamal; and

(3) commends all police officers in the United States and throughout the world for their commitment to public service and public safety.

Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I rise today to submit a resolution to condemn an action that I find terribly appalling. On April 29, 2006, the municipal government of St. Denis, France, named a street in honor of Mumia Abu-Jamal, the convicted killer of Philadelphia Police Officer Danny Faulkner. Representative FITZPATRICK has introduced a similar resolution in the House of Representatives.

On the morning of December 9, 1981, Officer Danny Faulkner, a 5 year veteran of the Philadelphia Police Depart-

ment, made a traffic stop at Locust Street near Twelfth Street. The car stopped by Officer Faulkner was driven by William Cook who was driving the wrong way down a one way street. William Cook's brother, Mumia Abu-Jamal, was across the street. As Faulkner attempted to handcuff William Cook, Abu-Jamal ran from across the street and shot the officer in the back. Faulkner was able to fire one shot that struck Abu-Jamal in the chest; the wounded officer then fell to the pavement. Mumia Abu-Jamal stood over the officer and shot him four more times at close range, including one directly in the face. Abu-Jamal was found at the scene of the shooting by officers who arrived there within seconds.

Official ballistics tests on the fatal bullet confirmed that Officer Faulkner was killed by a bullet identical in type, brand, and caliber to the bullet found in Abu-Jamal's gun. Witnesses to the brutal slaying identified Abu-Jamal as the killer both at the scene and during his trial. In July 1982, Mumia Abu-Jamal was convicted of murdering Officer Danny Faulkner and was sentenced to death. Abu-Jamal has had numerous legal appeals, including to the PA State Supreme Court and the U.S. Supreme Court, and his conviction has been upheld each time.

I am outraged that the municipal government of St. Denis, France would make such a thoughtless and insensitive decision as to name a street after the murderer of a Philadelphia police officer. This is a monumental insult to the memory of Danny Faulkner, to his family, and to the courageous men and women who put on a police uniform every day to protect our communities. Officer Danny Faulkner gave his life to keep our nation's streets safe. St. Denis lawmakers have made the chilling decision of choosing to support a cold-blooded killer over a police officer who made the ultimate sacrifice.

I hope my Senate colleagues will join me in condemning the murder of Officer Faulkner, and urging the municipal government of St. Denis to take immediate action to change the name of "Rue Mumia Abu-Jamal." If such action is not taken, this resolution urges the French Government to take appropriate action against the city of St. Denis to change the name of the street. Finally, this resolution appropriately commends all police officers for their commitment to public service and public safety. I urge my colleagues to support this important resolution.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4253. Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. INOUE, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. REED, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. INHOFE, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe per-

sonnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

SA 4254. Mr. OBAMA (for himself and Mr. COBURN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4255. Mr. FEINGOLD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4256. Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. LEAHY) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, supra.

SA 4257. Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. DODD, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KERRY, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, supra.

SA 4258. Mr. ALLARD (for himself and Mr. SALAZAR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4259. Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. JOHNSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4260. Mr. REID submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4261. Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BENNETT, and Mr. STEVENS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4262. Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. OBAMA, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. REED) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4263. Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. OBAMA, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. REED) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4264. Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. LAUTENBERG) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4265. Mr. NELSON, of Florida (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Ms. MIKULSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, supra.

SA 4266. Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. LIEBERMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4267. Mr. KYL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4268. Mr. ENSIGN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4269. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to amendment SA 4265 proposed by Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, and Ms. MIKULSKI) to the bill S. 2766, supra.

SA 4270. Mr. BURNS (for himself and Mrs. DOLE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4271. Mr. BOND (for himself and Mr. LEAHY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2766, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 4272. Mr. MCCONNELL proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2766, supra.

SA 4273. Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. BINGAMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S.